

How will the TPM Scheme save the school money?

There are a number of ways:

By analysing what you do and how often. - the what, how and when.

Over the years schools have developed a pattern of servicing which does not necessarily relate to what is needed. Local Authorities have offered guidance on best practice, occasionally couched in language which could imply it was a requirement. This may be fine when money is abundant but not at current funding levels. We will sit down with you and discuss just what is needed, how often, and when it is required. It is your decision but you should make decisions based on best advice.

Your schools is unique.

Every school is unique and whilst there are many things in common with other schools how you run your school, and that includes managing the building, is special to your school. We offer a service which is bespoke and is developed with you for your school. It allows you to continue to use contractors who you like and have given good service and respond to issues in a local way. At the same time, it offers advice on how this compares to costs and services which can be provided by alternative means.

Total transparency.

You see the cost of everything. Unlike many schemes which deal in global sums you will know exactly what it costs for every service from servicing the boiler to managing asbestos. In addition, for reactive work you will receive the actual contractor invoice which will be what you pay we will not add any charge for managing the work. Many organisations add 5/10/15% to contractor invoices.

We constantly monitor and review contractor costs.

In terms of the number of schools we work with we are bigger than many LAs. This gives us strong buying power. We also challenge contractors to ensure that they are not doing more than they need simply to increase turnover. For example, we reduced costs for Legionella simply by challenging providers about their practices - we reduced costs to schools by 65%

If we manage to reduce costs during the year we give you back the savings.

We charge a management fee depending on the size of the school. It ranges from £250 to £1000. We then estimate the cost of servicing for the year and ask you to lodge that with us. At the end of year we send you a breakdown of every service cost to the penny. If we have managed to save any money we give it you back! Over 90% of schools get something back.